

The Midtown Minute

Missoula Midtown Association

2010 Member Meeting

The 2010 General Membership Meeting has been scheduled for January 19th. The meeting will be held at Jaker's with a social hour at 4:30 p.m. and the meeting to commence at 5:30 p.m.

We look forward to seeing you and are excited to bring you information regarding all the

2009 activities, important issues and to help us guide MMA moving into 2010.

We will bring you up to speed on the Missoula Event Center, Western Montana Fair, Missoula Redevelopment Agency and beautification activities that are underway. As always we would like you to invite new people

to the MMA as many of the important issues that helped spur the start of this group have continued forward and are coming to critical points as we look into the future.

The social hour will feature Jaker's appetizers and will offer a cash bar. See you in 2010!

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We need you!!!!
Please let a board member know if you are interested in serving. 2010 will be a great year to make a difference!!!

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January 19, 2010
Jaker's
4:30 Social
5:30 Meeting

Fair Plans Continue.....

Over the past several months the Missoula County and the Western Montana Fair have been working with a consultant to create a vision for the future of the Fair and for the Fairgrounds. Earlier in the year the consultants presented an initial report outlining 3 distinctive alternatives to keeping the Fair at the current site.

Recently, the consultants presented a report detailing their analysis of potential sites for relocation. The conclusion was favored the Fair staying at the current site due to cost, access and infrastructure. The plan also outlined new buildings for livestock, hockey and soccer.

MMA has been a proponent of

the Fair staying in Midtown and had worked very hard to make sure the memberships desires were heard. We appreciate all the input we have received from the membership and look forward to staying involved in the process.



Feel free to call Tim Winger for more detailed information regarding the fairgrounds. 721-5140 ext. 15

MMA LOGO COMPLETE

CTA Architects completed MMA's LOGO. We will be unveiling a streetscape project at the January meeting incorporating the Missoula Midtown Association logo. Make sure to attend the meeting to see the updated design. Below is the first generation designed by Jeremy Keene of WGM Engineering. We thank him for his contribution.



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MCDC has \$2.2 Million Available for Small Business Microloans

Montana Community Development Corporation (MCDC) continues to assist area businesses through its small business loan program and business assistance services. As of June, 2009, MCDC has \$2.2 million for microloans from its revolving loan fund and is ready to get the loan funds into the hands of Western Montana small businesses. Microloans range from \$2,000 - \$50,000 and are available for business startup expenses, business expansions, equipment or working capital. In addition to its business loans, MCDC also provides free business consulting including assistance with business plans, financial issues, marketing, and personnel issues. Join the growing number of local businesses who rely on MCDC for their business assistance needs.

Visit the website or call for an appointment.

www.mtcdc.org

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Tremper Shopping Center, Inc.

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US Bank

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WGM Group

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Founding Memberships are still available!

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Mountain Line

My Sister's Closet

Southgate Triangle Neighborhood Council

Sterling Savings Bank

The Book Exchange

Towne Mailer

Turner Sign Arts

Wells Fargo Bank

Western Montana Fair

Work Force, Inc.

YMCA

Go to www.missoulamidtown.com for membership information!!!!

2010 Membership Dues

URD III Grows

Please take note that the MRA continues to seek projects in the Midtown region of Missoula. The URD III money available continues to grow and opportunities for qualified projects are available. Please visit MRA's website to find out about the current and past projects, application process and some of the new opportunities that exist, including the

Façade program rolled out this year!!!

Kari Nelson from the MRA is a regular member and can be contacted at

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Annual Membership Dues for 2011-2012. An invoice will be mailed to the address of record to each member for \$100. Please contact Julie Mazza, Treasurer, if you have any questions or difficulties in making the required payment.

The Board of the Missoula Midtown would like to thank all of its members for its financial involvement for 2009 and 2010. Without you, the MMA wouldn't be able to offer its services. Thank you.

Valuable Missoula Midtown Information from Missoula Redevelopment Agency

Current Listings of Available Real Estate in URD III

Address	Building Name	Current Use	Listing Agent
1940 Harve	Marie's Art Eries	Retail	Peter Lambros
2300 Brooks	Sleep City USA	Retail	Peter Lambros
2424 Garfield	NA	Retail	Devin Khoury
2309 Grant	NA	Recording Studio	Marlies Borchers
1830 South Ave	NA	Commercial	Colleen Enderle
1518 South Ave	NA	Commercial	Jerry Ford
2100 Sussex	NA	Commercial Shop	Rick Meisinger
2101 Brooks	NA	Restaurant	Loubelle Wissler
3601 Brooks	Cine 3	Theatre	Jerry Ford
3100 Brooks	Hastings	Retail	Ken Staninger
1925 Brooks	Smoker Friendly	Retail	Tex Cates

Current Missoula Redevelopment Agency Projects (Updated December 16th)

2200 Dixon Avenue (Kelly Gregory)
 Kent St. Sidewalk Improvements
 Streetscape Improvements - Phase III

Completed Missoula Redevelopment Agency Projects (Updated December 16th, 2008)

The following is a list of representative projects for which MRA provided financial assistance and/or project management.

3410 South Reserve (Herring) 2005
 homeWORD Design Competition 2006
 Jefferson School Traffic Calming 2008
 Missoula Federal Credit Union (Russell Street Branch)
 City Life Community Center 2007
 The Dearborn Project (2100 Block of Dearborn Ave)
 Pruyon Veterinary Clinic 2007
 Streetscape Improvements Phase I (Brooks/South/Russell) 2005
 Streetscape Improvements Phase II (South Avenue) 2005
 Southgate Area Planning 2006

Curious about Missoula Redevelopment Agency News got to <http://www.ci.missoula.mt.us/mra/>

Even more curious to see the brochure for URD III:

<ftp://www.ci.missoula.mt.us/documents/mra/brochures/MRA%20URD%20III%20Brochure.pdf>

Tremper's Russell Street Project



Tremper's Shopping Center is located in the heart of Midtown at the intersection of Brooks Street, South Avenue, and Russell Street. Housing Ace Hardware, Albertson's, the Book Exchange, Brady's Sportsman's Surplus, Liquid Planet, and Paul's Pancake Parlor this neighborhood convenience center provides numerous goods and services as well as over 200 local, full-time jobs. Originally constructed in 1958, this center is well on its way to a complete renovation.

In 2006, owners of the building embarked on plans to improve and modernize the center. By 2008, the majority of upgrades and modernizations were complete. These exterior improvements stimulated significant interior renovations from Albertson's and The Book Exchange as well as recognition for enhancements in Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessibility from Summit Independent Living Center, Inc.

Building on this success, Tremper's Shopping Center has launched its final renovation phase. This project directly addresses the west side of the center along Russell Street. It concentrates on the buildings exterior, utilities, and streets. This work is designed to improve the centers aesthetics and functionality by:

- Improving the building's exterior
- Relocating public utilities
- Enhancing landscapes
- Increasing space for delivery vehicles
- Improving street drainage
- Improving public safety

Currently, Northwestern Energy is replacing and consolidating power poles as well as burying the service lines leading to the building. Beginning early spring Jackson Contractor Group will replace and/or renovate the buried utilities behind the center. Then building and surface improvements, including new curbs, pavement, sidewalks, and land-

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Your business tag line here.



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Advisor	Scott Meader—Western Montana Fair
Advisor	Steve Earle - Mountain Line

WANT TO GET INVOLVED?????

WE NEED INTERESTED PARTIES HELP. THE BOARD HAS DONE A GREAT JOB TO THIS POINT BUT TO KEEP THINGS MOVING FORWARD WE NEED MORE RESOURCES. NOW IS AN EXCELLENT TIME TO THROW YOUR HAT IN...AS MIDTOWN IS FORECASTED TO BE THE NEXT IMPORTANT FOCUS FOR NEW DEVELOPMENT. MMA WILL BE AN IMPORTANT COMPONENT TO THE FUTURE OF THIS GREAT PART OF MISSOULA!!!!

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